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## Finance Board To Re-Submit Defeated Budget

By Connie Davis

SUFFIELD: The Board of Finance voted Wednesday night to recommend approval of the same budget that was narrowly rejected at town meeting last week.

By a 260-256 vote, residents had defeated the \$8.7 million annual town budget. A four mill increase from 25.25 to 29.3 would be required to support the proposed spending package, a sharp contrast from the 1 mill increase of a year ago.

### Further Cuts

In considering possible further cuts, board member Gary Mandirola noted that, "People don't want cuts in the police or fire departments. We've already gone after the highway department and there are only nickels and dimes left in the selectmen's budget."

Chairwoman Patricia Smith read several letters from residents. Some expressed their support for the budget; some offered advice. One included a petition signed by 45 people proposing a further \$195,000 cut to the education budget. Another stated that a move is underway to petition for a town referendum on the budget.

A letter from Board of Education Chairman Robert Newman urged Finance Committee members to resist further cuts to the education budget.

Finance member Rockwood Berry offered a proposal to bring the budget down to a 3.3 mill increase in view of local reaction to "high increase in taxes." He suggested a 1 1/2 percent reduction of the total budget, including 1 1/2 percent less in the school budget.

Of the resulting \$131,000 reduction, Berry said, approximately \$80,000 would come from the school budget and \$36,000 from the selectmen's budget. Berry proposed that cuts from the selectmen's budget be taken from contingencies.

Seeking to generate revenue, board members examined the receipt side of the budget. Waterman noted that "some interest" has been generated in the sale of the West Suffield School property.

The decision to close West Suffield School results in the property being turned over to the town on October 1, 1982.

### Endorse The Plan

The Board of Selectmen endorses the plan to retain four of the six acres on which the school is located. Waterman said that sale of the property is contingent on zoning, which is presently residential. Finance member John Blake stated that the parcel needs to be assessed to determine its real value.

Several residents attended the meeting to offer further suggestions for dealing with the budgetary problems. Since the meeting was not a public hearing, residents were not allowed to speak.

Paul Lukas of East Street stated after the meeting that he came to speak in favor of an additional 1 mill decrease. Lukas added, "The belief that education sells houses and keeps property values high, which has often been stated at town meetings, isn't true."

Of seven new homeowners on his street, he noted all were asking for lower taxes.

Blake said he hoped that town meeting would vote on the budget by ballot. He said this would serve "the people just as well as a referendum."

Reflecting on the lack of surplus funds to cushion the "crunch" this year, Berry said he would like to see the town accept the budget. "It would be sad, almost disastrous not to have the budget in place in July," he said.

The budget will be presented to residents for approval at a town meeting in the auditorium at Suffield High School on Thursday, June 10th at 8 p.m.

The legal procedure to be followed includes publishing the budget and giving the public five days notice of the town meeting.

## Peaceful Paradise



**THIS VIEW OF THE DOCKS** behind Elmer's Boat House on North Pond of Congamond Lakes in Southwick makes a quiet, restful scene prior to the upcoming summer season. Advertiser/News Photo By John Loftus.

## School Officials Predict Shortfall

By Andi Phelps

Southwick: School Business Manager Kenneth Johnson told the School Committee Tuesday that he expects an approximate \$30,000 shortfall at the end of the present fiscal year.

Johnson said that after the two remaining payrolls are met, only \$43,000 will be left in the school accounts to meet all bills through the end of June. He hopes the June 15th special town meeting will approve transfer of \$20,000 from the summer salaries' account to cover some of the shortfall.

"The remaining \$10,000 will have to be absorbed somehow," Johnson said.

Johnson said that the department has not made any purchases for fall as has been done in previous years and that much of the schools' equipment is in need of repair.

"By the end of June, we will probably be out of oil. We have never done this," he said.

### Some Funds Available Through Title VI

Superintendent of Schools Louis Josselyn reported that \$35,055 will be available through Title VI. He said this amount is less than the \$36,000 applied for, but will allow the local department to retain its psychologist, adjustment counselor, and its half-time special needs teacher at the high school. Less funding will be set aside for emergency placement of special needs students, he said.

Josselyn also told the committee that the high school is one of 100 schools statewide selected to par-

ticipate in a project to study the implementation of the basic skills improvement program. Teachers and administrators will be given on-site questionnaires in the areas of math and English. Based on the results of this initial study, eight or ten districts will be selected for more intensive study. The statewide survey is a preliminary step in development of a uniform testing program to determine basic skills of school children, Josselyn said.

### Personnel Business

In other business, the committee appointed Florence Shaffer of Tannery Road as assistant cafeteria manager at the high school. Mrs. Shaffer, now on staff, will receive a \$250 stipend for her added duties.

The committee voted to allow extension of a maternity leave of absence for Deberlee Rice, a resource teacher at Woodland School currently on leave. She will return to the system next January.

The committee also voted to send a letter of commendation to Kathleen Drum, music teacher at Powder Mill School, for the extra time and effort she put into that school's production of the musical "Oliver." They agreed that she had "certainly put much more work into the production than her small compensation required."

Geneva Baillieul, first-grade teacher, notified the board of her intent to retire at the end of the 1982-83 school year.



# Caruso Denied Arcade Permit

By Connie Davis

Suffield: Zoning and Planning Commissioners unanimously denied Ernest Caruso's application for use and site plan for a video game room at Tuesday night's meeting in the Town Hall Annex.

Prior to the vote, Town Planner William Kweeder cited specific inadequacies of the site plan for 98 Mountain Road to include the following: 1) a one-way, nine-foot driveway not wide enough for two-way traffic; 2) no rear entrance; 3) a front entryway serving an upstairs apartment; and 4) no outside lighting.

Kweeder said further problems would evolve because both gas pumps and the large sign are on the property line and leave no space for parked vehicles.

Chairman Lorette Russell read a letter from Fire Marshall Ray Potter which described the site as "difficult to get in and out of." Potter noted that "doors should swing outward and exit signs should be posted."

Following Kweeder's remarks, Commissioner Stanley Szoka stated, "Then we have no choice but to turn it down."

Commissioner Betty Brew concurred with denying the application, saying "such use is not permitted in zoning regulations." She found the site unacceptable because of the location of gas pumps so close to the building that cars block the entryway.

Proposed amendments prohibiting amusement arcades as a main use of a facility and limiting the number of video machines per establishment to three were passed by ZPC members.

A cease-and-desist order was issued last November by Building Inspector Robert Johnson to Ernest Caruso, who had been operating two pinball and three video games in a room adjoining his Mountain Road gas station. Such operation was in violation of regulations drawn up prior to the current popularity of video games.

In January, the ZPC issued orders to close down all video games in town, but Caruso's operation was the only site shut down in Suffield between November and May.

On May 19th, First Selectman Earl Waterman issued cease-and-desist orders to all businesses with video game machines in town stating that violation of the order carries a \$250 fine. Caruso currently has lawsuits pending in Hartford Superior Court against Suffield's ZPC charging that banning arcades as a main use is "illegal, invalid, and void."

In other business, the application of R.W. Miller for a four-lot resubdivision on Warnertown Road was denied by the ZPC.

# Search Committee Begins Process Of Supt. Selection

By Connie Davis

Suffield: Serving on the search committee to begin the process of selecting a new superintendent of schools for Suffield, Mary Ann Muska, Elizabeth Mavis, and Bonnie Carney, Tuesday night reported that one of three consultants interviewed will meet the full board on Thursday, June 10th.

The consultant to be hired is expected to assist in developing a job profile to be used in the search for a replacement for Dr. Sidney DuPont. A profile of the school district, characteristics desired in the person hired for the position, and future goals will be included in his recommendations.

Dr. DuPont has resigned his post, effective August 3rd. Having served in Suffield for four years, he will leave public education and become headmaster of a private school in Grosse Point, Michigan, a suburb of Detroit.

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In other business, board members discussed the town meeting held last week which resulted in defeat of the \$8.7 million budget on a 260-256 vote. A proposal at that meeting to decrease the education budget an additional \$200,000 was rejected 353-221.

The original town budget proposed at a public hearing on May 5th was cut \$222,000 and the mill rate lowered to 1.6. Last year, residents faced a 1 mill increase to 25.24; this year, a 4.05 mill increase is needed to support the budget.

Board of Education members drafted a letter to be sent to the Board of Finance expressing unanimous support for their budget as submitted to the town meeting.

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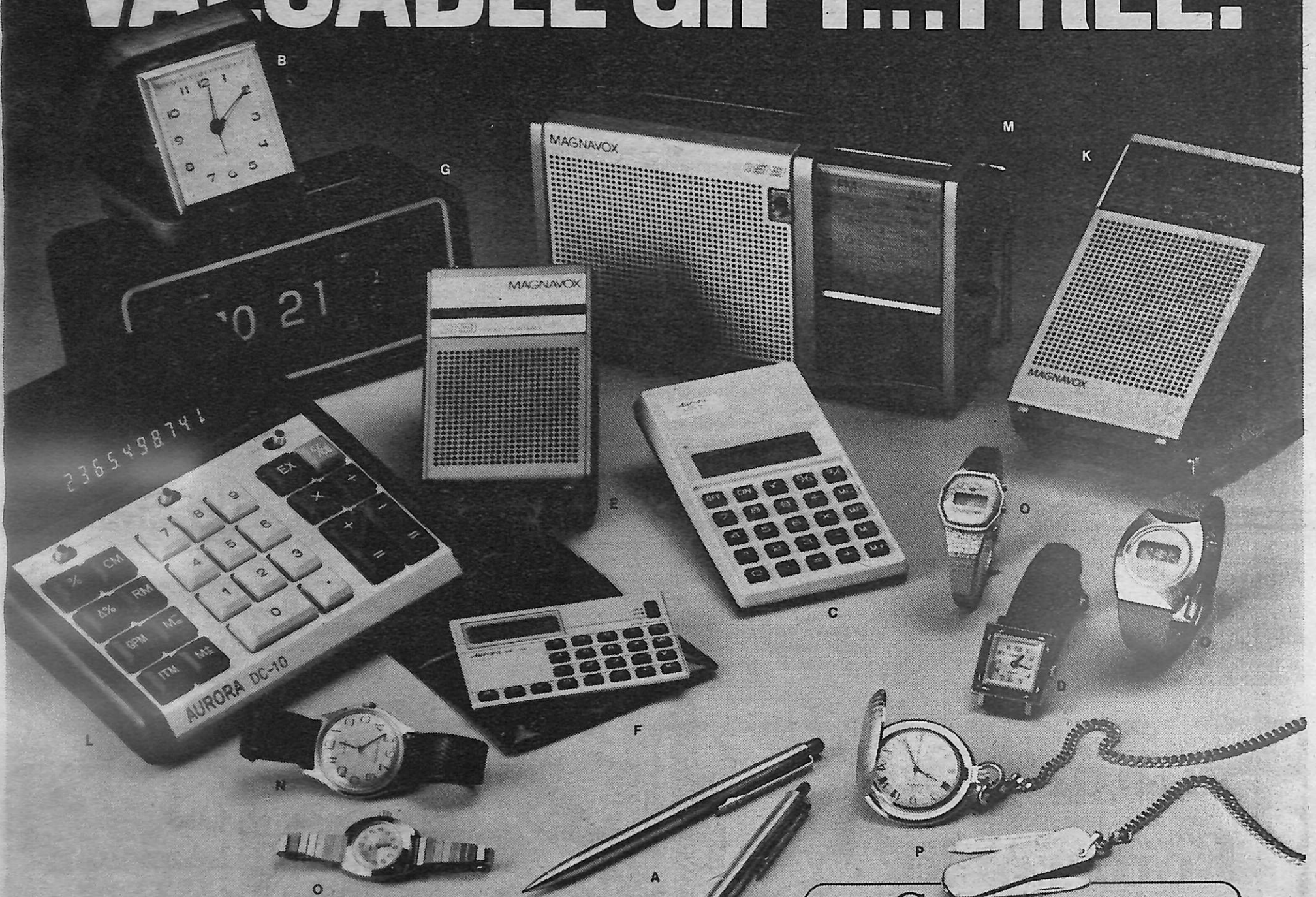
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## Beautifying Suffield...



MEMBERS OF CIVIC BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE of the Suffield Garden Club picked a fine spring day for their annual planting and beautifying the town. From left, Doris Butler, Kay Studley, Vera Webster, and Peg Mobley who are sprucing up the island on the corner of Bridge and South Main Streets. Advertiser/News photo by John Loftus.

## Southwick Tax Bills To Be Sent This Week

By Andi Phelps

Southwick: Current tax bills are expected to be mailed out by Wednesday or Thursday, according to town clerk Barbara Pooler. The rate, based on the old valuation, will be the same as for fiscal 1981, \$48 per thousand dollars.

According to state law, property owners must have their tax bills by June 20, 1982. Assessors are using the old rate because the State Department of Revenue has not approved in full the recent 100% revaluation of property in town.

The State has already approved the revaluation of residential property and impact notices showing the new valuation were sent to property owners last March. Assessors, at that time, estimated the tax rate would be \$24-\$25 per thousand.

Revaluation of about 200 pieces of business property and open land has not been certified by the State. Without this certification, the true tax rate cannot be set.

## State Grant Sought For Industrial Development

By Andi Phelps

Southwick: At an informational hearing May 27th, town planners told those present that a state grant of up to \$1 million to promote industrial development would not involve town funds in any way.

According to Planning Board Chairman James Franklin, it is a direct grant administered by the State. The town would not have to raise or borrow funds in anticipation of reimbursement. All bills would be sent to the State, he said.

Franklin gave a preliminary estimate of \$465,000 needed to develop industrial-zoned land in the Hudson Drive-Feeding Hills Road area. But, he said, "it could possibly be as high as three-quarters of a million dollars according to recent bid prices for similar work."

The Planning Board proposes construction of about 5,000 feet of roadway, including several necessary facilities, to attract development of small business in the area. Approximately 180 acres of land would then be available for development of other than gravel pits, according to planners.

The proposal includes extending Hudson Drive 1,500 feet north to make the back 100-plus acres available. But, said Franklin, the major concentration would be in the 57 acres located closest to Feeding Hills Road.

The State requires a community applying for such a grant to show need for such development, how the funds will be used to retain present businesses and create new longterm employment, and how it will positively affect the tax base.

Locally, the unemployment rate for the past five years is about 1 1/2 % below the state average. Planners predict the development of the industrial area could ultimately employ about 10 persons per acre. At the present tax rate, a \$4 million business could generate \$240,000 annually in taxes, according to the chairman.

### Residents Concerned About Aquifer

The A.R. Spillanes of Feeding Hills Road expressed concern that the proposed industrial expansion would endanger the aquifer which lies under most of the site. They noted that town officials, when establishing the industrial zone several years ago, were not aware of the extent of the aquifer.

Planners noted that the proposal incorporates a protection of the aquifer. They further said they were considering updating the master plan to include an aquifer protection zone.

Though no actual plans for occupation of the site exist, planners feel the area is ideal for location of light industrial plants, owner-occupied businesses, and professional offices.

Funds from the Public Works and Economic Development Program will allow for design and construction of roads including sidewalks; lighting, drainage controls, and traffic control. Because financing is available elsewhere, this grant will not pay for installation of water and sewer lines in the area.

Deadline for submitting application for the grant is June 9th. The board hopes to have a reply from the State by September.

## Motocross Restricted

By Andi Phelps

Southwick: At a Wednesday, May 26th meeting with representatives of the motocross races, selectmen decided to prohibit overnight camping at the Powder Mill Road track site. Because of problems that arose at the May 16th race, safety regulations will also be tightened, according to town officials.

Fire Chief Melbert Johnson described the area as "Tent City, U.S.A." He said when his department answered a call late Saturday, May 15th, it was virtually impossible to get the fire trucks in or out of the area because of the closeness of the campers and tents. He said his men even had to get spectators off the fire truck.

As a result of this meeting, all open fires will be forbidden and the bar at the American Legion Post will close immediately after the race.

Johnson said, "If it were a windy day, you would be likely to have a fire with fatalities." He added that it is a high fire hazard area because of the gasoline stored and used to clean parts and because of the proximity of the gas to fires and campers.

While camping the night before a race in general would be prohibited, officials agreed that, as in past years, riders and mechanics would be allowed to spend the night on the site. Charcoal fires for cooking will be permitted, but all open fires forbidden.

Local race officials said these restrictions would be advertised in racing publications.

The Fire Department forestry truck may also be allowed to remain on the site overnight. As a safety precaution, the truck is at the track during races now.

### Police Problems Stem From 'Hangers-on'

Police Chief Charles Wolfe said there were no problems with traffic or parking, but "many of the police problems stemmed from the hangers-on after the race." Wolfe recommended the bar at the American Legion Post be closed for clean-up immediately after races and the area cleared out within two hours of the finish of racing.

He said persons who do not participate in the races "come for a weekend of partying and there is a lot of drinking going on." He explained that his department does not have the manpower to control that number of people if trouble arises. "This is the first time my men have complained," he said.

Bernard Yelin of the Motocross/American Legion said the track would cooperate fully with town officials' recommendations.

Town officials noted they do not want to eliminate motocross racing because "the town benefits from the track, especially from the national events." They hope that potentially dangerous situations could be reduced by enforcing the new regulations.

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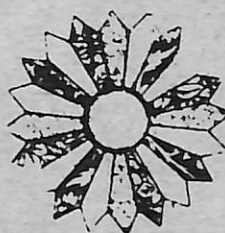


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## Selectmen To Meet With Army Engineers On Congamond Lakes

By Andi Phelps

Southwick: Selectmen have tentatively scheduled a June 10th meeting with Kenneth Jackson of the Army Corps of Engineers to discuss recommendations of requirements for a proposed General Permit for erosion control structures around the Congamond Lakes.

The General Permit, as proposed by the corps, would allow construction of minor erosion control projects under the regulation of local authorities. The present permit process, which would be maintained for major work, is lengthy, according to officials.

Town officials from both Southwick and Suffield and representatives from Congressman Silvio Conte's (Mass.) and Anthony Moffett's (Conn.) offices are expected to attend the June 10th meeting.

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The board is looking for a public information officer for the Civil Defense Department. Interested persons are asked to contact CD Director David Brown on Evergreen Street.

The position involved working with schools, local groups, and the media to educate the public in civil defense matters.

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Selectmen took under advisement the request of Ronald Young of Springfield and Leslie Crouteau of Southwick for a Class II permit allowing the sale of used cars at 520 College Highway. A public hearing was held May 26th concerning the request.

According to Attorney Paul Mondry of Ludlow, Crouteau and Young plan to buy and sell late model used cars at the site next to the post office. The business would be open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. most of the year, staying open until dark in summer months. No construction will be necessary, according to Mondry, as a small building already exists on the site.

Before a decision can be made, selectmen said they want to consult with the Planning and Appeals Boards concerning the location of a residence behind the proposed car lot. They hope to have a decision by June 9th.

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In other business, selectmen considered a request from Highway Superintendent Merton Seibert for the purchase of a used plow complete with frame and hoist for \$1,000. According to Seibert, a comparable new plow would cost between \$3,000 and \$4,000. Selectmen support the request and will ask Finance Committee approval for its inclusion in the fiscal 1983 budget.

Seibert also asked selectmen to consider purchase of a radio for a sand truck which, he said, would be considered a safety measure because there is currently no contact between him and the driver of that truck when it's on the road.

Seibert says he want the road machinery account adjusted. "We do not want to ask for a sum that we know we cannot possibly stay within," he explained.

Selectwoman Vivian Brown said, "We have let the equipment go for so long that we will gradually have to build it up again. You cannot run a department without good equipment. We must be prepared. We will buy what we can afford."

## Repair On Roofs To Begin In July, 1983

By Andi Phelps

SOUTHWICK: Because of the time involved in gathering and evaluating information, the bidding and bonding processes and selecting a contractor, the Roof Study Committee has slated July 1, 1983, as the starting date for actual roof replacement work to begin on the schools and town buildings.

Town officials originally hoped the work would be done before this winter. According to the study committee, however, roof construction could not be started until October or November because of the preliminary work involved.

Weather conditions do not make work feasible at this time of year, according to the committee. "The new schedule gives us time to get the job done right. Work will not have to be done when the schools are occupied," said committeeman Edward Pepe.

Because of the delayed construction, the Annual Town Meeting will not vote on the proposed \$1 million bond issue this year. It will be necessary for the town to raise an estimated \$10,000 to \$12,000 for temporary repair of the badly damaged, leaking high school roof before winter.

Also included for town meeting vote is a \$6,000 request for a moisture study of the roofs. A request of \$15,000 to \$18,000 to cover the cost of bonding will be up for vote at a possible special town meeting during the year but this amount should be included in the present budget, according to Selectman Russell Fox.

While the roof expenditures have been delayed, the committee will ask town meeting approval of an estimated \$175,000 for installing various energy saving measures in the buildings.

Installation of such equipment could involve a \$111,000 payback within the first year, the committee report revealed. Because of the wording of the ballot question, to override Proposition 2 1/2 for new debts, officials can ask the town to allow for this expenditure now and the costs of the roofing later, according to state officials. A special town meeting may also be necessary for this request.

At its next two meetings on June 17th and 24th, the committee will forward recommendations for each of the buildings involved, including the type of roof to be installed and additional or replacement of insulation. The study group plans to compile its final report at its July 8 session.

The study committee will include in its recommendation report necessary roof work to be done on the Consolidated School. According to Fox, "It is not financially possible for the town offices to use the building at this time but we can't rent a building with a leaking roof." Energy conservation costs should be minimal in that building, the committee felt.

## Lone Resident Attends School Budget Hearing

By Andi Phelps

SOUTHWICK: Only one voter was present Thursday when the School Committee presented its proposed \$3.3 million budget for the coming fiscal year. The budget is approximately \$167,000 above the Finance Committee's recommendation. The public hearing was adjourned in less than 20 minutes.

### Major Increases

The major increases in the fiscal 1983 budget is in the maintenance account (125 percent). The committee hopes to increase its custodial staff by four persons, two at night at the high school and two at Powder Mill School. Only two new positions will be created, according to School Business Manager Kenneth Johnson, because two positions are already filled by substitute workers.

### Total Budget Request

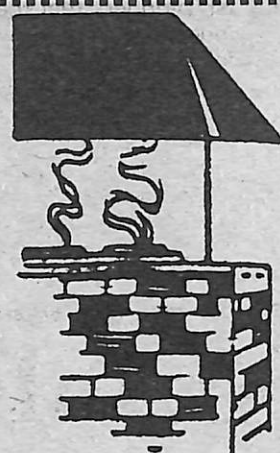
While this year's \$3,314,416 budget is an increase of 10.2 percent over last year's, it represents \$77,000 less than 1981 expenditures, according to School Committee member Jeffery Youens. The total budget request does not take into consideration the more than \$1 million returned to the town for some school department uses, added Chairwoman Priscilla Deveno.

More than 4 percent of the 10 percent increase is in the salary account and 3.6 percent in the cost of educational programs. The total salary account is \$2,441,370.

Although many school department expenses are fixed, town meeting has the final vote on the total budget. According to Johnson, "town meeting can only accept or reject the total," noting that the School Committee decides how appropriated money is to be spent.

"If the town is concerned about maintaining the present school system, then they will approve our budget," said Mrs. Deveno.

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**SUFFIELD FIRE CHIEF Tom Bellmore presents Richard Carmon with the "Fireman of the Year Award" for Rick's hard work and dedication to the Suffield Fire Department. Photo by John Loftus.**

## Rick Carmon Suffield's Fireman Of The Year

By Karen Carlson

Suffield: On Saturday, May 22, Rick Carmon received the Suffield Firemen Association's "Fireman of the Year Award" at the Hartford County Fire Emergency Plan Ladies' Night.

The fireman of the year recipient is chosen by the executive committee of the Fireman's Association (the social support organization within the fire department), in cooperation with the Suffield Fire Chief.

Carmon chaired the association's carnival committee for two consecutive years. According to Suffield Fire Chief Thomas Bellmore, "The carnival committee chairman is probably one of the most time-consuming and vigorous jobs in the association. The chairman is totally responsible for the association's largest and primary fund-raising activity," he explained.

Bellmore also complimented Carmon on his activities in the fire company housed on East Street. "He is available during the day and has good attendance at fires and drills. He has demonstrated a willingness to give his time and participate in fire department functions," said Bellmore.

The time Carmon gives to the fire department is shared with several other organizations, as well. He is an executive board member of the Second Baptist Church, director of the Suffield Rotary and a member of the Windsor Elks B.P.O.E. number 206. In partnership with his brothers at Carmon Funeral Homes Inc., Carmon is a funeral director managing four funeral homes in Granby, Windsor, Poquonock and the Nicholson-Carmon Funeral Home in Suffield. Carmon, his wife Chris and their 10 month-old daughter Anna live on East Street in Suffield.

Commenting on the honor bestowed upon him, Carmon said, "I am pleased and honored to receive this award. I enjoyed the opportunity to meet people and to do something for the fire department. There's no sense belonging to an organization unless you're going to make a contribution," he concluded.

## Antique Market Slated Today

The eleventh annual antique market sponsored by members of the Suffield Women's Club will take place Saturday, June 5th, at the Hatheway House barn and grounds from 9:30 to 4 o'clock.

Fifty dealers will display wares ranging from china and glass items to silver, pewter, brass, and wooden

articles. Furniture, tools, books, and linens will also be featured.

The show will be held rain or shine and proceeds will benefit the club's scholarship fund along with other worthy causes.

## Suffield Calendar Of Events

(Sponsored By The Friends Of The Kent Memorial Library)

**Mon., June 7:** Garden Club annual meeting, Hathaway Barn picnic luncheon, 12:30; weekly fire drill, 7, Central Firehouse; Jaycee wives meeting, 7:30, Contact Donna Corriveau at 668-0281 for details; Prayer Mtg., 8, Sacred Heart Church; Knights of Columbus, 8:15, St. Joseph's hall.

**Tues., June 8:** Rotary Club, 6, Suffield C.C.; Troop 260, 7, St. Joseph's hall; Housing Authority, 7:30, Town Hall Annex; Library Board of Trustees, 7:30; Water Pollution Control Authority, 7:30, Town Hall.

**Wed., June 9:** Child & Family Services Thrift Shop open 10-3:30; Police Comm., 7:30, Town Hall; Suff. Grange, 8, East St. Firehouse; Suff. High booster club, 7:30, SHS caf.

**Thurs., June 10:** Ambulance Assn., 7:30, Town Hall Annex; Board of Selectmen, 7:30, Town Hall; Holy Name bingo, 7:30, St. Joseph's hall.

**Fri., June 11:** Auction Exhibition, 5-8, Second Baptist Church

**Sat., June 12:** Auction, 10 a.m., Second Baptist Church (Exhibition at 9)

## Suffield Observes Memorial Day Indoors

By Connie Davis

For the first time in many years, Memorial Day services were held indoors at Suffield High School auditorium. Attendance was greatly decreased, both by groups scheduled to march and residents observing the ceremonies.

Excellent acoustics in the auditorium made the program especially effective as opposed to ceremonies usually held on the town green when spoken words are often lost to many in the large crowds.

After a presentation of flags by military, scout, and school representatives, the Suffield High School Band played several selections and students recited traditional renditions. John Cerivone recited Lincoln's "Gettysburg Address"; William Nadeau, "Confession of National Faith"; and Deborah Case, "Flanders Field."

The SHS/Suffield Academy Flag Transfer honored four young people, all residents of town who have achieved leadership in school activities. Those so honored from Suffield High were Chelen Edwards and Timothy Geary; from Suffield Academy, Judy Killam and Stephen Clark.

A Memorial Day prayer offered by Rev. Thomas B. Walter was followed by a salute to the dead by the VFW firing squad to close the program. These services were jointly planned and sponsored by the American Legion and the VFW.

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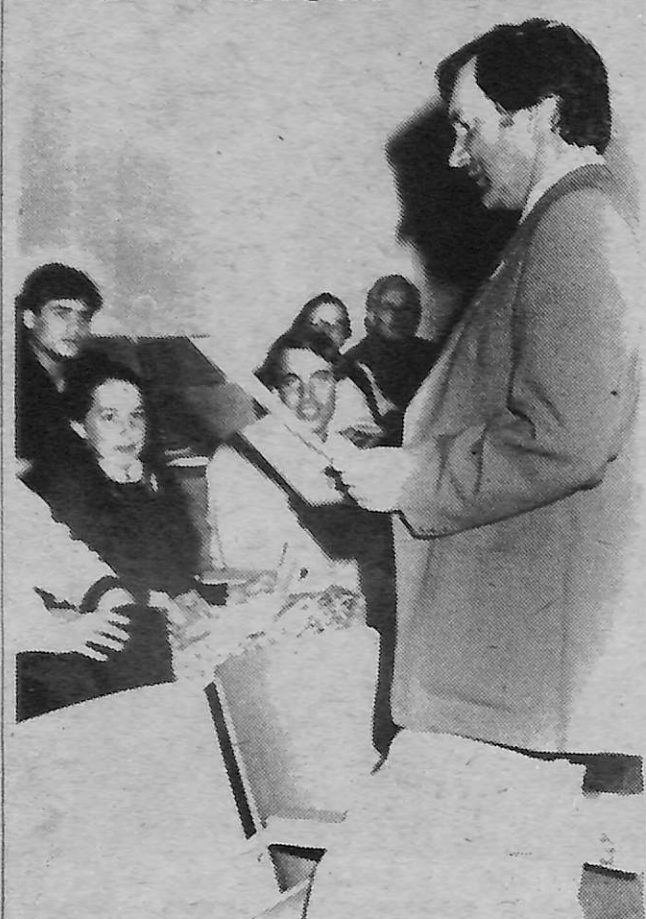
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## 'War Without Winners'



SUFFIELD RESIDENTS Ellie Butler, John Simon, and Helen and Joe Scher were among a small group who listened to Peter Mercer, chaplain of Suffield Academy discuss the film "War Without Winners" which was recently shown at Kent Memorial Library. Advertiser/News photo by John Loftus.

## Firesafe Ideas

By the Suffield Firemen's Association, Inc.



### Tenting Safety

Summer is the time for campers and backyard "little campers" to make use of tents. Follow these suggestions and have a safe and rewarding experience.

- 1) Use only tents made of flame retardant fabrics.
- 2) Never use candles in or near a tent; use a flashlight.
- 3) Do not cook inside a tent.
- 4) Do not hang an unguarded electric light bulb where it can contact the tent.
- 5) Do not pitch a tent too close to a campfire; be sure the tent is upwind from the fire.

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### Church To Hold Auction

Suffield: The Second Baptist Church, 100 North Main Street, will hold an auction of antique and household articles on Saturday, June 12th, beginning at 10 a.m.

Auction preview hours will be on Friday, June 11th, from 5 to 8 p.m. and on Saturday from 9 to 10. Refreshments will be available.

### Southwick Grange To Meet

The next regular meeting of the Southwick Grange will be held on Tuesday, June 8th, at the Grange Hall.

A potluck "dairy supper" will begin at 6:30 p.m. in celebration of June Dairy Month. MaryAnn and Robert Ardison, Beatrice and James Burns, and Beatrice St. Germain will be in charge of the supper.

## All About Income Tax



SUFFIELD'S CHAPTER of the AARP listen to Robert Adams of the Senior Citizen's Advisory Council for North Central Connecticut give a program on Federal Income Tax to members Tuesday. New officers (sitting behind speaker) are, from left, Everett Bartlett, president-elect; Eleanor Phelps, installing officer; and Launio Potter, secretary to the group. Advertiser/News photo by John Loftus

### Camperships Awarded

Suffield: Carla Mariano, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Mariano of 155 Pleasant View Drive, and Rosemary Fitzgerald, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Brian Fitzgerald of 1210 Newgate Road, have been chosen to share the campership for a one-week session at Greenwoods Nature and Conservation Camp in Winsted offered by the Suffield Women's Club.

The camp, sponsored by the Connecticut Federation of Women's Clubs, is designed to develop an appreciation for our natural resources and an awareness of the importance of conserving them.

Swimming and boating instruction and field trips are included in the daily camp routine.

The regular business meeting will begin at 8 p.m. with Master Frederick Hepburn presiding and an election of officers to be held.



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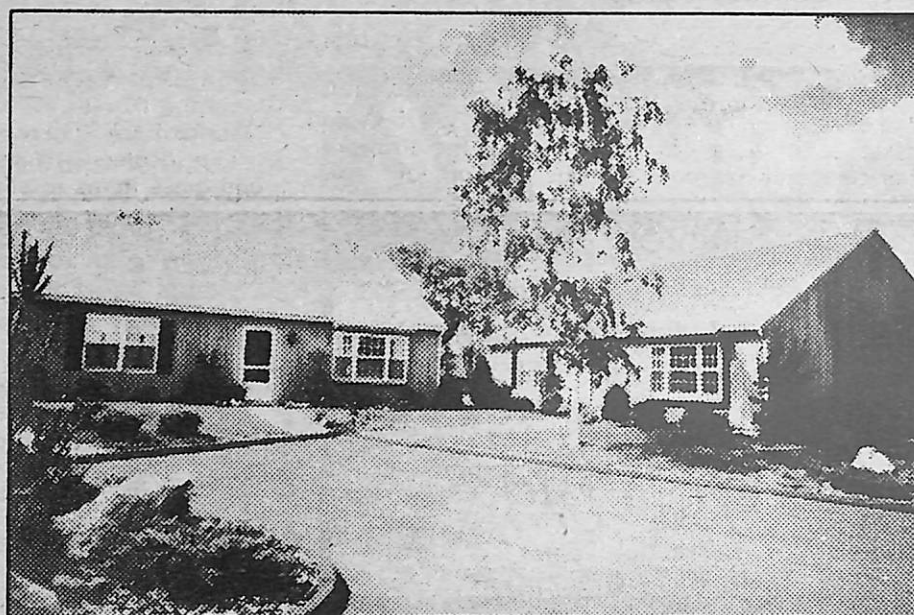
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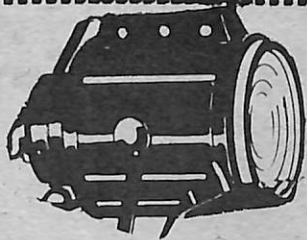
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**Tues., June 8:** Baked meatloaf w/brown gravy, scalloped potato, petite peas, wheat bread, applesauce, milk

**Wed., June 9:** Cold ham, turkey, & cheese, potato salad, tomato wedges, rye bread, fresh peach, milk

**Thurs., June 10:** Barbequed chicken, oven browned potato, green beans, roll, canned pears, milk

**Fri., June 11:** Macaroni & cheese bake, broccoli, creamy cole slaw, wheat bread, pineapple crisp, milk

### SOUTHWICK SENIORS' EVENTS

On Monday, June 14th, the senior citizens' meeting will be held at the center at 134 Point Grove Road from 1:15 to 3:30. The next day, Tuesday, June 15th, will be set aside for the regular birthday party. Those born in the months of May and June are welcome to celebrate at the center from 1:30 to 3:30.

On Thursday, June 10th, at 2 p.m. in the Mercy Hospital dining room, a presentation on Medicare and community resources for senior citizens will be held. Relevant issues such as home care, meals on wheels, and government health programs will be discussed.

### TRAVEL WITH ISABEL

As our motor coach pulled up to the main entrance to Mountain View House, we were overwhelmed by the size and appearance of the flowers and spacious grounds. The doorman stood at attention and many bellhops with their bright blue jackets were pressed into action.

After we settled in, we took advantage of the spectacular view of the Presidential Range.

Seven fine meals and six really great shows later, it was time to leave. I believe everyone on this trip boarded the bus reluctantly.

I was most impressed with the flower arrangements. Having their own greenhouses, the owners had expertly arranged and placed beautiful flowers in every available space throughout the lobby and in the halls. A good time was had by all Southwick area travelers.

### SUFFIELD SENIOR CITIZENS' EVENTS

Bingo will take place at St. Joseph's Church on Thursday, June 10th. Call for reservations and pick-up time.

Membership renewals for mini-bus service will be due in July. Six dollars for singles; nine dollars for double. Payable to all drivers or send to Suffield Mini-bus, Town Hall, P.O. Box 325, Suffield.

Remember the mini-bus schedule: Monday and Tuesday: local, surrounding towns, and Springfield doctors' appointments; Wednesday and Friday: Suffield errands, grocery shopping, etc from 9:30 to 12:30; Thursday: Enfield area shopping, pick-up between 12:30 and 1:00 and returning approximately 3:30.

The office is open 24 hours a day seven days a week. If you have any questions, call 668-0344.

A Blood Pressure Clinic will be held at the Emergency Aid Association on South Street at 1:30 p.m. on June 15.

Asnuntuck Community College's schedule for summer and fall course offerings is now available. Summer classes begin June 21st and fall classes on September 7th. Please note: waiver of tuition and fees for any person 62 years and older. Call Asnuntuck for details, 745-1603, ext. 12.



**HUBERT SHAW**, a familiar face with Southwick's senior citizens' meals program, celebrated his 80th birthday last week. Among his many greetings was one which came from President and Mrs. Reagan. Still spry, Mr. Shaw recently won the award for the oldest walker to participate in the local CROP walk. Photo by John Loftus.

### Lutheran Church Sponsors Grinder Sale As Fundraiser

Southwick: On Saturday, June 12th, the Women's League of Christ Lutheran Church in Southwick will sponsor a grinder sale to help raise funds to support church functions.

Homemade cold-cut grinders may be purchased at the church at 568 College Highway any time between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. for only \$2 each.

To facilitate ordering of grinder supplies, the group requests that grinder lovers call early to order, though walk-ins will be cheerfully accommodated on Saturday as long as supplies last.

To order ahead, please call 569-6850 or 569-6519.

### House Tour Planned

The Somers Chapter of AFS International/Intercultural Programs will sponsor a house tour on Saturday, June 12th, during the hours of 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. A variety of seven, lovely homes in this historical and picturesque community will be featured in the self-guided tour. Tickets are \$5.00 in advance and \$6.00 the day of the tour.

A luncheon will be prepared and served by the Women's Fellowship of the Somers Congregational Church, Main Street, from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. The cost of the luncheon is \$3.50 and is available only by advance, prepaid reservation.

Proceeds from the tour will defray the cost of scholarships awarded to students for cultural exchanges within the United States and overseas.

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**SHERRI CARPENTER** receives a \$400 check from **VFW Commander-Elect Robert Shiveley** of Southwick. Advertiser/News photo by John Loftus.

## Sherri Carpenter Receives \$400 For Music Trip

The Southwick Veteran of Foreign Wars recently presented Southwick High School student Sherri Carpenter \$400 to be put towards a European music tour beginning on July 2.

Miss Carpenter is participating in the Foundation of America honor band and chorus, a non-profit organization formed to enable chosen young musicians from across the nation to represent the United States in Europe.

Miss Carpenter will arrive at Dickinson College in Pennsylvania on June 27th for five days of intensive rehearsals before departing for Germany on July 2. Miss Carpenter will also tour Austria, Liechtenstein, Switzerland, Italy, France and England.

The trip's total cost is \$2,200 and the Southwick VFW is the first local group to sponsor Sherri who today she is deeply grateful to the veterans for their support.



**THE RANSFORD W. KELLOGG** Post 822 in Southwick recently donated \$500.00 to pay for a dog run at the Hearing Ear Dog Farm in Holden, MA. Accepting the check is **Robert F. Freeman** (center) of the N.E. Educational Center for Hearing program from past Commander **John Andrews** (left) of Southwick and Commander-Elect **Robert Shiveley** of Southwick. Advertiser/News photo by John Loftus.



## YOUR HEALTH

by Dr. Jerome Z. Litt

### VISITING A DOCTOR

There is really only one possible answer to the question: "Should I see a doctor?"

The answer is: "Yes."

Before you leap to the conclusion that I'm just trying to drum up business for doctors, think back to the last time you went to see a doctor. You were uncomfortable because of some symptom — a pain, headache, cough, or such — but there was something more than just discomfort involved.

The chances are, you were worried. If, like most people, you kept putting off making the doctor's appointment, by the time you brought yourself to do it, you were no longer just slightly worried.

Very likely you were plain scared.

Very often the doctor's first job is to get the patient calmed down enough to understand the treatment instructions!

Ninety-nine percent of the worry and panic that bring people to a physician's office is completely unnecessary. It is generally not due to the illness itself but to uncertainty, to not knowing what's the matter.

It's the physician's job to find out what the matter is, and to cope with the disorder.

Let's consider the case of the person who notices a rash on his or her body. It itches slightly, but is more puzzling than uncomfortable. A common sense treatment is to wash the area, blot it dry, and apply a soothing antiseptic such as Campho-Phenique first aid gel.

While this may relieve the itch or the burning, the person observes that the rash does not seem to be going away, even after several days. Right on the tube of Campho-Phenique it says: "If symptoms persist, consult physician."

There are several hundred disorders that might be responsible for a rash, and it takes a physician to diagnose which one is involved in any given instance. You notice that I say "physician" or "doctor" and not "dermatologist." Your first line of defense is your family physician, who knows your allergies (if any), your sensitivities, and your medical history. The decision as to whether to see a dermatologist, or any other specialist, for that matter, should be made with your doctor's advice.

To sum up: You should see a doctor for any skin condition that does not go away after a few days if you have kept the affected area clean and applied Campho-Phenique. And leave it to the physician to advise you whether to see a dermatologist or other specialist.

*Dr. Jerome Z. Litt is Assistant Clinical Professor of Dermatology at Case Western Reserve University School of Medicine*

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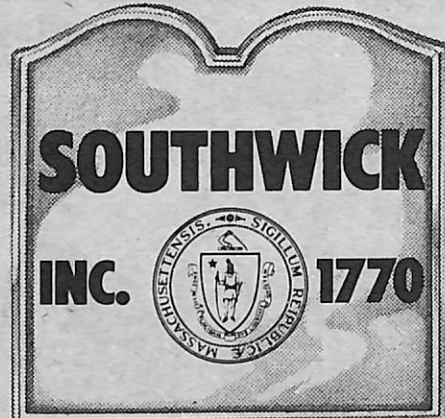
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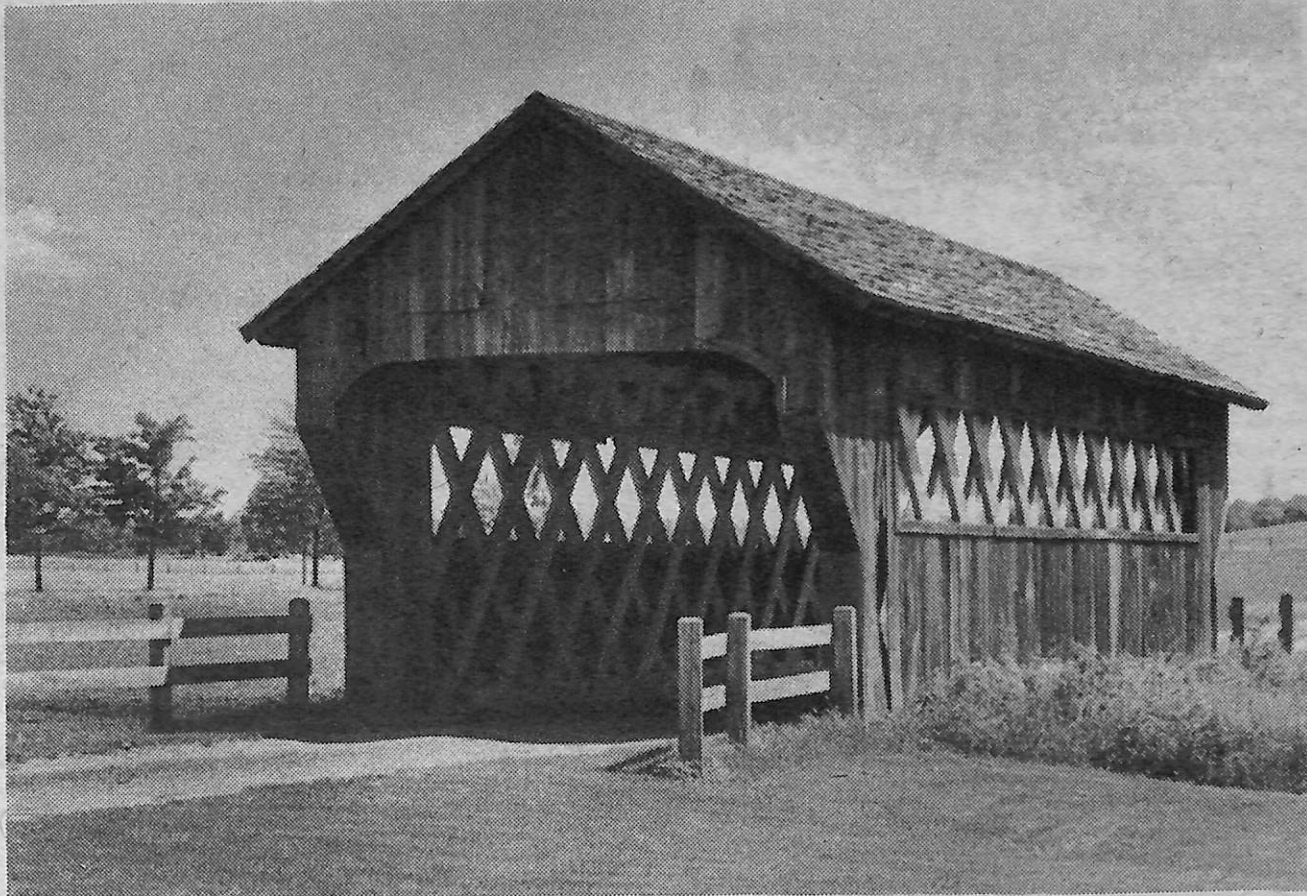
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**THIS COVERED BRIDGE** on the property of Brian Glynn on Russell Avenue in Suffield was built by Ed LaRiviere of LaRiviere Timber Column Building Company. The bridge features the award-winning truss designed by Ithiel Town in 1820. Advertiser/News Photo by John Loftus.

## Covered Bridge Distinction Of LaRiviere Company

By Karen Carlson

Who says they don't build covered bridges anymore? Half a mile east of Hill Street on Russell Avenue in Suffield a narrow, paved driveway passes under an authentic Town-Lattice truss and covered bridge and ascends a third of a mile to the home of Brian Glynn, an import-export broker and covered bridge fancier.

Although the bridge often provides shelter for Glynn's children as they wait for the school bus, the bridge is, in essence, an outgrowth of Glynn's appreciation and love of covered bridges.

Built a year ago by Ed LaRiviere of LaRiviere Timber Column Building Company in Feeding Hills, Massachusetts, the distinctive bridge is modeled after one constructed over 150 years ago in Chester, Vermont, off Route 103.

The bridge features barn-board siding, a roof deck of weathered chestnut planking, hand-split shingles, and trusses of native hemlock. Hand-wrought nails and specially-made cuts add to its fatigued appearance.

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The Town-Lattice truss design recreated in Glynn's bridge was invented and patented by Ithiel Town in 1820. Born in Thompson, Connecticut in 1784, Town first earned fame as a builder of churches.

He designed New Haven's Old State House and Trinity Church on the New Haven Green. For Hartford, he designed the Wadsworth Atheneum and Christ Church.

Between 1815 and 1820, he turned his attention to building covered bridges up and down the Connecticut River. Seeing a need for a truss that ordinary carpenters and their helpers could easily erect, he developed the first "All American truss." Similar to a garden trellis, it "could be built by the mile and cut off by the yard." For his design, Town gained national recognition.

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Glynn's Russell Avenue location provides a perfect setting for the bridge which fords a small stream. The 20-acre farm is home to 10 horses including 6 national appaloosa champions. Glynn's home as well as a large barn, stable, corrals, and a 70'x80' indoor riding arena comprise the Blackberry Hill Farm.

All the fences and outbuildings were constructed by LaRiviere, who specializes in animal housing.

Presently, the team of LaRiviere and Glynn is considering construction of a windmill, an addition which would compliment Glynn's covered bridge and again demonstrate his appreciation for the flavor of "Old New England."

## Summer Workshops Slated At Connecticut Valley Museum

Registration for summer workshops at the Connecticut Valley Historical Museum will begin June 6th. The summer sessions offer children and adults the opportunity to explore the rich craft traditions of the Connecticut River Valley.

For more information on workshops and fees, contact the Connecticut Valley Historical Museum at (413) 732-3080. Registration will take place at the Smith Art Museum between the hours of 2 and 5 p.m. on June 6th; from 8:30 a.m. to 7 p.m. on June 7th; and from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. on June 8th, 9th, 10th, and 11th. Participants may also register by mail through June 25th.

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Play . . . even for adults, helps make life more fun! When was the last time you bought a set of trains or racing cars for your child and ended up being the conductor or stock car driver more often than the youngster? How often have you built model cars, ships and planes or become a construction engineer using toy building blocks? How many weekend afternoons have you spent competing with radio-control cars and planes or playing outdoor games such as croquet, volleyball or badminton?

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## Letters To The EDITOR

### Southwick School Committee 'Fiddles'

#### To The Editor:

In three articles and in numerous questions by the Finance Committee, the school people have yet to come up with one valid reason for a raise in teacher salaries outside of step raises. Cost of living is down 3.3%; inflation is down; productivity is down.

As for the statement that a teacher's salary is usually insufficient to support a family - the findings of the Phil Hall Study Committee stated that with fringe benefits, our teachers average salary is \$20,000 per year. The supporters of the public school system, the private sector, would love to average this, yet they, in their daily lives, have had to make concessions. Some receive no paychecks, still the School Committee expects these people to contribute more to those already receiving a good one.

I will agree with school business administrator Kenneth Johnson about the people having no say on contracts and this is unfortunate, for if they did, the town would not now be borrowing money to pay for previously borrowed money, nor would our schools have a "natural" sprinkler system.

He also states that \$145,000 is available because various funds were not needed and because of not buying a new school bus, that money is available.

If this is the case then that money should go for roof repair, a problem the School Committee should have addressed five years ago.

Yet during that time our school administrators told of the impending devastation of education here because of cuts in funding. But in the meantime, they continued to stuff another four figure increase in their own pockets just as they are doing this year with the blessing of the School Committee.

People employed in the system speak of inefficiencies and lack of good business sense supported by a committee that doesn't do its homework - school roofs as an example - not informing or misinforming the taxpayer, questionable items and duplications on budget matters, purchasing items voted down at town meetings.

If these were my schools, I would try four steps. First, eliminate the position of school business administrator for with its inception our costs really began to multiply.

Second, eliminate our desk lieutenants - the assistant principals - and save our sergeants in the front lines, the teachers. It is time we found out who the workers are.

Third, eliminate the department we were told we should have, but students past and present and parents too have indicated it is of little or no value in the school system - the Guidance Department.

Fourth, if schools are to be shut down, let's do it at the most expensive time of the year - December 15th to the end of February. The present school year was fine when towns were mostly agricultural, but that has passed.

Another little surprise is that of town employees selling back to the town accumulated sick days. These days were made available free of charge in case of illness; the employees did not buy these days and should not when they no longer need them turn around and sell them back to the town for top dollar. It makes one wonder who is running the town.

The question of a general wage increase and a three-year contract for public employees under present economic conditions should make this year's town meeting well attended. Let's make Southwick a "people town" again.

It would be nice if some of the many capable people in Southwick would enter the public arena then we wouldn't have to return people to office that pour water into a hole simply because the hole is there.

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Notice is hereby given that the Southwick Planning Board will conduct a public hearing THURSDAY, JUNE 10, 1982 at 8:00 P.M. in the PLANNING BOARD ROOM, TOWN HALL, SOUTHWICK to consider the application of DAVID A. GRECO. Petitioner requests a SPECIAL PERMIT to construct a single family home in the agricultural zone. The property is located northerly on FEEDING HILLS ROAD, identified as PARCEL 21, Assessor's Map "F". Said property is owned by Edward Kaye.

For the Planning Board  
James E. Franklin, Chairman

Published June 5th

### LEGAL NOTICE

#### Cancellation Mortgage Sale of Real Estate

The foreclosure sale of the property known as 16 Marlene Drive, Feeding Hills-Agawam, Hampden County, MA, scheduled to be sold at public auction at 10 a.m. eastern daylight time on June 10, 1982 has been permanently cancelled.

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# SCHOOL



**THE POWER MILL SCHOOL** play "Oliver" was presented last week. From left, Richard Drummond (5th grader) who plays Oliver, Paula Alekson (8th grader and sitting) played Fagin and Michael Zacchera was the Artful Dodger. Advertiser/News photo by John Loftus.

## "Oliver" Declared A School Year Highlight

By Marsha Ramah

Southwick: Powder Mill School's production of the musical "Oliver," presented on May 27th and 28th, was certainly a high point in the 1981-82 school year. The efforts of those students and teachers who participated truly captivated the audience who attended.

The characters, all perfectly cast, included Richard Drummond, a first-year actor who sang his way into everyone's heart as the innocent orphan Oliver. Being new to the stage did not hamper his enthusiastic performance at all.

Michael Zacchera, a three-year veteran of stage productions, obviously enjoyed his role as the "Artful Dodger," and Paula T. Alekson, the 14-year-old girl who played Fagin, made the audience wish the production would never end.

Paula's portrayal of the old man in charge of thieving youngsters was carried out with confidence and an enjoyment that transferred itself to other students fortunate enough to share the stage with her.

Lisa Bruno played a formidable Bill Sykes. Who would believe this horrible man was in reality a lovely eighth-grade girl?

Wendy Farina brought the beautiful Nancy to life with much emotion. Betsy Deedy strutted the stage in her part as Mr. Bumble, much to the delight of the audience.

Every student who walked onto the stage gave the audience more than their money's worth, and the production's songs, scenery, and costumes were very professional.

"Oliver," the sixth production of the Powder Mill Drama Club, will remain a favorite in the annals of the school. Mrs. Kathleen Drum, music teacher and play director, can truly be proud of her efforts.

Many long hours and much hard work paid off. "Oliver" was a smash hit in the Town of Southwick.

### Southwick School Lunch Menus

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**Wed., June 9:** Salisbury steak, brown gravy, steamed rice, vegetable, bread & butter or peanut butter, cake, milk

**Thurs., June 10:** Juice, hot ham & cheese on seeded roll, potato rounds, fruited pudding, milk

**Fri., June 11:** Cheese pepperoni pizza, Popeye salad, fruit, milk

**Mon., June 14:** Hamburger on roll, sliced cheese, french fries or potato rounds, chilled fruit, milk

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## Prew Announces Top Honor Students

Southwick: Principal Alexander H. Prew, of the Southwick High School, has announced the top honor students of the class of 1982.

Daniel English, son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard English of 554 Granville Road, was named valedictorian; William Anderson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Anderson of 53 South Loomis Street, was designated salutatorian; third honors went to Lori Cross, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Cross of 68 Feeding Hills Road.

Mr. English, currently President of the National Honor Society, has been an honor student throughout high school. His first co-curricular interest has been athletics. He played four years of soccer, three years of basketball and four years of track, and he was selected the most valuable player in track last year. Daniel has also been a member of the Student Council, served as Vice President of his class during his Sophomore year and he has been a math team member and participated in the Contest of Plays. He was selected to represent the school at Boys State during his Junior year.

Daniel plans to attend Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute to prepare for a career in electrical engineering.

Mr. Anderson, elected to the National Honor Society last year, has maintained honor grades for four years. He is currently treasurer of the Society. Music has been his first interest. He was a member of the Concert Band for four years, contributed his mathematical talent to the Math Team for two years and spent two years on the Cross Country and Track teams.

William will attend the Stockbridge School of Agriculture at the University of Massachusetts, Amherst, in the fall, with a planned major in Arboriculture.

Miss Cross has contributed time and energy to a variety of interests throughout her high school career. She is currently secretary of the National Honor Society and the Drama Club. He participated in the Contest of Plays for two years and served as an aide in the business, guidance and athletic departments. She has also been a member of the Hostess Club, a service organization in the school. Lori has also served as a timer and scorer of the Field Hockey Team, as well as a scorer at Varsity and Junior Varsity basketball games. She has still found time to act as a tutor to a Vietnamese student who enrolled last fall. Lori also serves on the staff of the Yearbook.

During her Junior year she was nominated to represent the school at Girls State. Recently, she received a Sherman Blake Academic Scholarship. The Hampden County Legal Secretary Scholarship has been awarded to her for the coming year. She has received five athletic letters for services contributed to school sports.

Miss Cross will attend Bay Path in September in preparation for a career as a legal assistant.



DANIEL ENGLISH



LORI CROSS



WILLIAM ANDERSON

## Araxie Bedrossian Dies At 76

SOUTHWICK: Araxie "Roxie" Bedrossian, 76, of 252 Hillside Road, died Saturday, May 29th. Miss Bedrossian taught first and third grades locally for 42 years, retiring in 1967. Born in Springfield, she attended the former Central High School and the former Westfield Normal School and was active in the Southwick Grange.

School Committee Chairwoman Priscilla Deveno, who worked with Miss Bedrossian at Consolidated School several years ago, said Miss Bedrossian was "a sensitive and concerned teacher who was a truly great educator and who influenced many children for many years. You could see her effort in whatever school building she taught."

She leaves her brother, Aram J. Bedrossian of West Springfield, and two sisters, Nevarthe B. Goldfarb of New York City and Zabelle White of Southwick. Burial was Wednesday in New Cemetery, Southwick. Donations may be made to the charity of one's choice.



## Suffield Players Name Scholarship Winners

The Suffield Players are pleased to announce that Christopher Akeley of 189 Hill Street and Justine Serino who resides at 200 South Stone Street have won Robert Alcorn Memorial Drama Scholarship Awards. This is the second year the Players have made this award with the scholarship monies now doubled to \$500.

Akeley is a first year student at Boston University School of Public Communication. He is currently working towards a bachelor's degree in broadcasting and film.

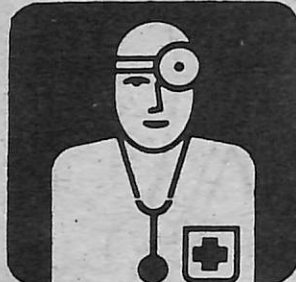
Miss Serino is a senior at Suffield High School. He is planning a career in theatre and has been accepted to the Boston Conservatory of Music.

The Robert Alcorn Memorial Drama Scholarship is given in memory of one of Suffield's best known citizens, author Robert Alcorn and one of the early founders of the Suffield Players.

The scholarship awarding will take place at the Suffield Players annual meeting on Sunday, June 6th at 4 p.m. at the Suffield Inn.

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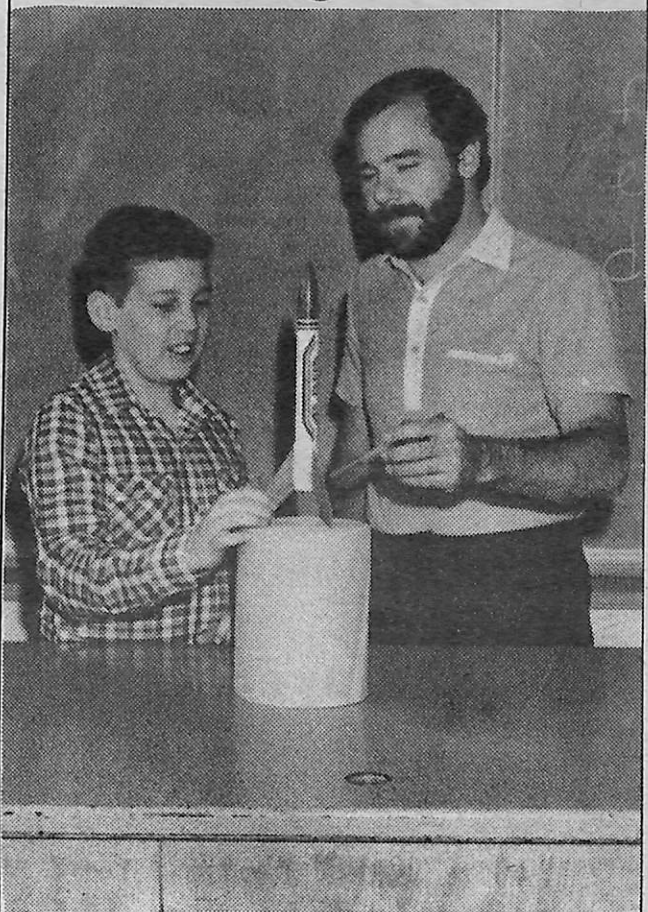
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## Launching A Rocket



**MICHAEL WILSON** of the Talcott Mountain Science Center instructs **Michael Kreps** on details of his rocket. Sixth and seventh grade students recently built, launched and recovered rockets as part of a special Talcott Mountain rocketry program. Students from McAlister Middle School who are in the Talented and Gifted (TAG) enrichment classes participated in the program. Advertiser/News photo by John Loftus.

## Suffield High Senior Awarded Enfield Chamber Scholarship

Kathy Christian of 342 North Grand Street, West Suffield, a senior at Suffield High School, was one of five students from area schools to be awarded a \$500 scholarship from the North Central Chamber of Commerce of Enfield.

In a presentation ceremony held on May 24th at the organization's annual meeting breakfast, Miss Christian along with seniors from Enfield High, Fermi High, Somers High, and East Windsor High each received their awards.

Miss Christian will attend Central Connecticut State College and plans to major in business with a tentative career goal of becoming a certified public accountant.



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## Powder Mill Students Participate In Heritage Day

By Marsha Ramah

Southwick: Recently, three Powder Mill School students had the honor of participating in the school's Heritage Day Program, which is sponsored by the Massachusetts Principals' Association. These programs allow area students to visit a particular historical site and spend the day learning about and enjoying a phase of American history.

Because eighth grade students are required to study United States history, the contest is limited to that grade. This year's competition for the honor of participating consisted of portraying an historical site by any medium such as a report, a folder, a diorama, a collage, etc.

Though usually only two students are chosen to participate, this year's competition was judged to be so close as to allow three - Raymond Girotti, Darcie Rock, and Bridget Hynes.

Their excursion took them on a bus ride to Boston and then a boat ride through Boston Harbor to George's Island where Fort Warren is located. This fort was built in 1850 and housed confederate prisoners during the Civil War. The three young historians also visited Kennedy Library, Logan Airport, and an island where pirates were hanged for wrongdoings.

Approximately 150 students and teachers from the area were members of the group. They all found time at the close of the historical visitations to stop in at the ever-popular Quincy Market.

Powder Mill history teacher Barbara MacEwan observed that the local students enjoyed meeting other winners, and commented, "Most of the youngsters have a lot in common; they are interested in the field of



**POWDER MILL HISTORY TEACHER Barbara MacEwan** presents certificates to **Bridget Hynes** and **Raymond Girotti**. Missing is **Darcie Rock**. Advertiser/News photo by John Loftus.

history and enjoy hearing what other schools do in their classes."

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## Suffield Firemen Conclude School Education Program

By Connie Davis

Suffield's volunteer firemen, dressed for firefighting, arrived by truck at the Bridge Street, Spaulding, and West Suffield Schools on Friday, May 21 as a finale to this year's "Learn Not To Burn" fire safety program.

Ron Carlson, chairman of the Suffield Firemen's Association Education Committee, explained that the visits concluded a successful program in which children from kindergarten through fifth grade studied causes of fire, prevention, and behavior during a fire.

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At West Suffield School, fireman Bill Zaczynski explained to the children why firemen wear breathing apparatus when entering a burning building. Another fireman, Bruce Blair, donned the face mask and demonstrated how it was hooked up to oxygen. Blair showed how well protected he was with boots, fireman's coat, helmet and gloves.

The firemen explained that they enter a burning building two at a time, so if one needs help, the other is there to assist him. Zaczynski tied a rope around Blair's waist, noting that if one fireman wants to exit a building, he pulls his partner's rope.

Firemen also conducted fire drills at the schools and blocked off several exits to watch the children practice their "stop, drop, roll, and crawl low in smoke" techniques.

Two weeks ago all Suffield elementary school students attended a "Firework" production by the Crosswalk Theatre group, which was held at Spaulding School. The show demonstrated fifteen fire prevention and survival behaviors.

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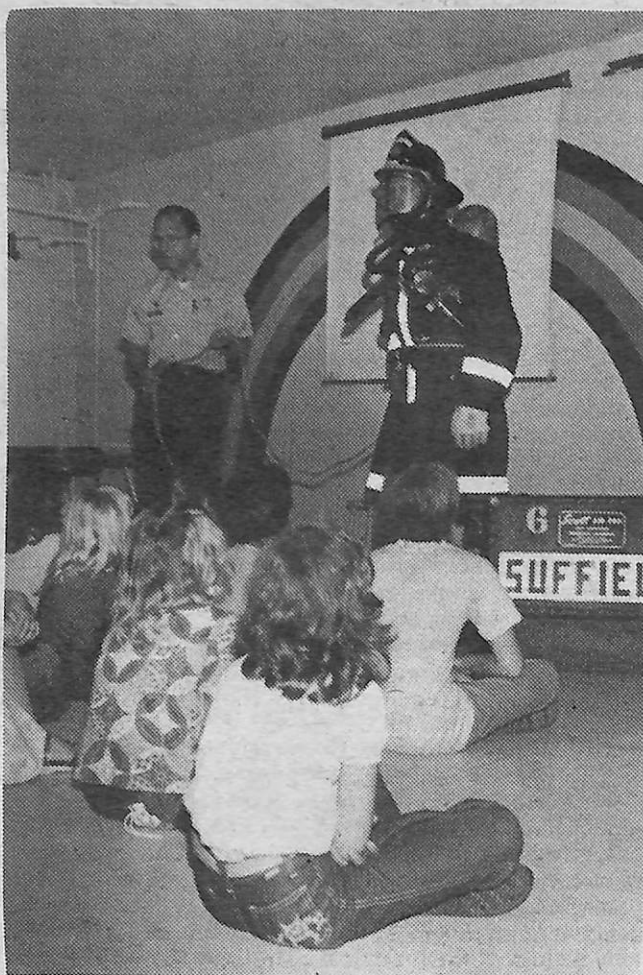
Classroom teachers as well as physical education and music teacher had conducted preliminary activities, such as reviewing fire safety techniques with students.

In addition, students brought family fire safety questionnaires home. Parents were asked to practice fire safety techniques with their children and all students who returned the questionnaire to school received a certificate of participation from the Suffield Fire Department.

As a special thank-you, third grade classes with an 80 percent return of questionnaires as well as all kindergarten, first and second grade students received ice cream as a treat from the firemen.

Zaczynski seemed impressed with the responses from students at West Suffield School after the presentation on breathing apparatus. "The kids really did their homework," he remarked.

Ron Carlson said that the "Learn Not To Burn" curriculum is funded by the Suffield Firemen's Association, which sponsors a carnival each July to raise funds for activities such as this community education program.

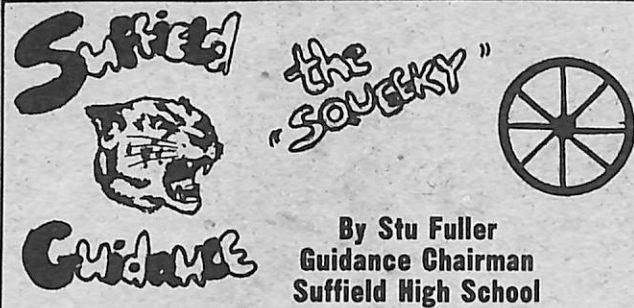


**VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTER Ron Carlson (left) demonstrates use of a safety rope tied around fireman William Phelps' waist, explaining the buddy system employed when firemen enter a burning building.**

Photo by John Loftus

### Suffield School Lunch Menus

**Mon., June 7:** Hamburger in roll, cheese potatoes, peaches, milk  
**Tues., June 8:** Chicken salad grinder, potato chips, banana, chocolate chip cookie, milk  
**Wed., June 9:** Spaghetti w/meat sauce, whole wheat French bread, vegetable sticks, fruit cup, milk  
**Thurs., June 10:** McAlister & Elementary: Salad bar; High School: Meat hero w/tomato sauce, green salad, spice bars, milk  
**Fri., June 11:** Pizza, tossed salad, watermelon, milk



Recently, Dr. Johnson notified nine Suffield High students of their acceptance to take part in the vocational high school program at the Howell Cheney Regional Vocational Technical School Satellite program at Asnuntuck Community College.

First year students include **Andy Merrill**, who was accepted to the Computer program; **Mike Hubbard**, **John Gray**, **Rob Welch** and **John Andresen**, who were accepted to the Machine Tool program; and **Clint White**, who was accepted to the Electronics program. **Kathy Sterling**, **Gina Fielder**, and **Larry Quinn** were also accepted as returning students to the advanced phase of the Computer course.

Several post graduates, **Jim Garini**, **Wayne Colson**, **Robert Davis**, **Chris Misseri**, and **Walter Noyes**, have been accepted and are also planning to attend next year. The program continues to attract increasing numbers of students in the area.

There is an awards ceremony planned for this year's participants scheduled for June 11th from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Students will receive certificates indicating successful completion in the various vocational area.

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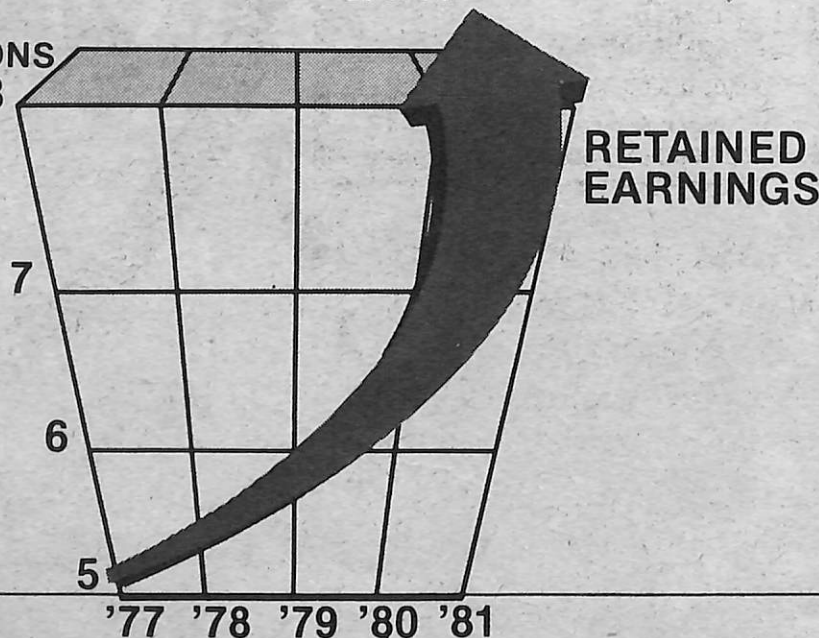
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# SPORTS/RECREATION

## Suffield Girls Win NCCC Track Title

By Dawn Cummock

As Coach Diane Nappier is always telling her team, "If you can believe it, you can achieve it." And that is exactly what the Suffield High girls track team did at the NCCC championship meet held on Wednesday, June 1 at Stafford High School.

The Wildcat gals believed they could win the conference even after losing twice to number one Stafford in the regular season. The locals went to Stafford to prove they could put a big day together and reign supreme over the NCCC. Not only did Suffield beat Stafford, they took them apart by a 25 point margin.

Competing in the meet were seven teams and the placing went as follows: **Suffield, 140.5 points; Stafford, 115.0; Tolland, 81; Somers, 49; East Windsor, 48.5k; Granby, 37; and East Granby, 24.**

Not only did Suffield win the NCCC championship meet, but three Wildcats shattered school and conference records. Senior Tammy Marek broke the school and conference record in the javelin throw.

Junior Cathy Kriss broke the school record in the 100 meter hurdles and also holds the 300 meter hurdles school and conference record. The other record breaker was senior captain Pam Norcross who broke the conference record in the 1500 meter run and the school record in that event in Suffield's last regular season meet. Norcross was undefeated this year in the NCCC in the 1500 and 800 running events.

In the shot-put it was Tammy Marek taking first place followed by Ann Golec of Suffield. East Windsor came in third and East Granby took fourth. Freshman Charlene Hawley captured fifth for the locals with Tolland taking sixth.

It was Marek striking again in the discus followed by

Suffield's Hawley, Chelen Edwards, and Golec with second, third and fourth places, respectively. Suffield's Lynda Goodwin and Shelly Wrisley placed seventh and eighth. Marek took another first in the javelin throw while Kim Washburn checked in with a fine third. Also placing for Suffield in javelin competition was Hawley (fifth) and Edwards (sixth).

Goodwin gave Suffield a key victory in the high jump to give the locals ten big points. Cathy Miller of Suffield placed sixth. In the long jump Suffield was shutout but Kriss placed second in the 100 meter hurdles to help things along.

With Norcross winning the 1500 meter run and Laurie Woodruff placing sixth, Suffield began seriously challenging for the NCCC crown.

They placed fourth in the 4x110 relay and Norcross was third in the 400 meter dash. Kriss won the 300 meter hurdles. Norcross struck again in the 800 meter run with a first, Woodruff placed fifth and Mary Jennings checked in with a seventh place. Jill Wentworth of Suffield placed fourth in the 3000 meter run and Suffield's 4x400 meter relay team placed fourth in that event.

Congratulations to Coach "Napps" and all the members of the Suffield 1982 NCCC champion. The entire roster includes, **Karen Austin, Tina Belisle, Teresa Coggins, Kathy Dorn, Chelen Edwards, Ann Golec, Lynda Goodwin, Charlene Hawley, Stephanie Hout, Mary Jennings, Cathy Kriss, Carol Lennon, Tammy Marek, Cathy Miller, Terry Miller, Kim Millick, Pam Norcross, Rebecca Ross, Lisa Schwalback, Ellen Seger, Kim Washburn, and Debbie Wild.**

## Babb's Rollerskaters Win At Pre-Regional Meet

SUFFIELD: On Friday, May 14th, competitive rollerskaters from Babb's Skating Club and Rink, West Suffield, won recognition at an Invitation Rollerskating Meet (Pre-Regionals) which was held in Milford, Mass.

Skaters awarded trophies were: Paula Caisse, West Suffield; Carrie Permatteo, West Suffield; Tracy Ralph, Feeding Hills; Mark Sinico, Southwick; Tammy Zomek, Southwick; and Wolfgang Kramer, Windsor.

## Suffield Little League Going Door-To-Door

SUFFIELD: On Saturday, June 5th, the Suffield Little League will conduct a door-to-door canvas for scrap paper. Boys in uniform will visit every home in Suffield. Funds go to support Little League activities and purchase equipment.

## Bank Girls Club Plans Benefit Softball Game Vs. Rotary Club

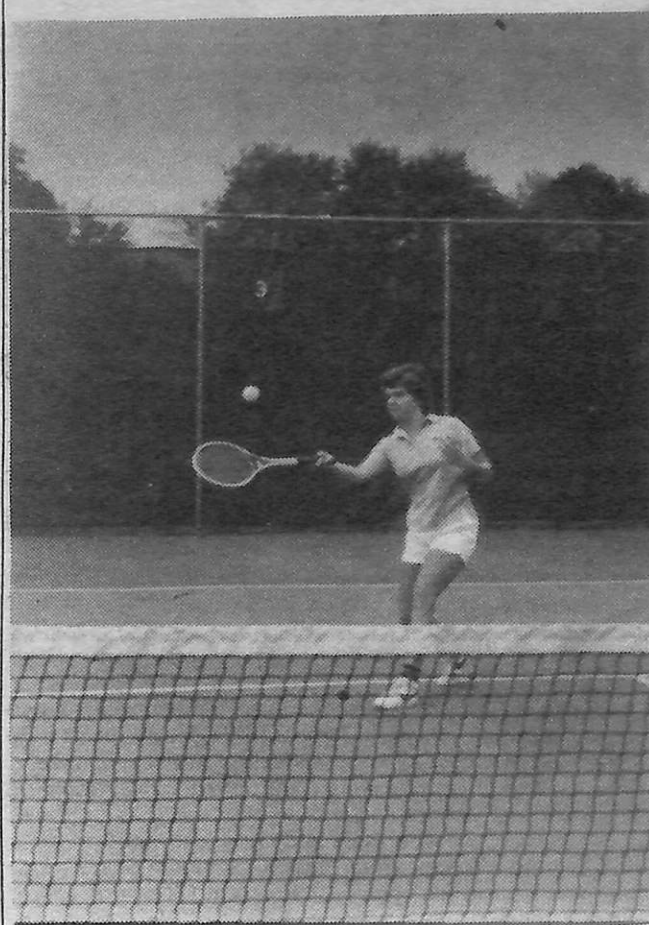
Suffield: The Suffield Savings Bank Girls Club will hold its annual softball game against members of the Suffield Rotary Club for the benefit of scholarship funds. The event is scheduled for Christian Field on Hale Road on June 6th beginning at 3 p.m.

Tickets are priced at 99¢ for adults and children under 12 will be admitted free. Refreshments will be sold throughout the game.

Proceeds will benefit scholarships for seniors from Suffield, Enfield, Fermi, Somers, and Windsor Locks High Schools.

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## The Ole Forehand...



**D. LINGENFELTER** of the Suffield varsity tennis team prepares to take an easy forehand swing during a recent practice at Suffield High School. Advertiser/News photo by John Loftus.

## Wear Safety Glasses For Racquet Sports

It's springtime and people's fancy may turn to racquet sports. Anyone playing squash, tennis, badminton or racquetball should wear eye protection, says Dr. Thomas Clark of Somerset, President of the Massachusetts Society of Optometrists.

According to Dr. Clark, government figures show that several thousand Americans suffer eye injuries every year while playing racquet sports and the number is growing. Some have had potentially blinding injuries requiring surgery or laser beam treatment.

"Good eye protection equipment is available for racquet sports and it won't interfere with your game," Dr. Clark said. "It's made to protect without blocking your vision. Of course, if you don't have the vision skills for your sport to start with, the eye protection device won't improve your game either."

He said racquetball and squash players' eyes are most often injured by the racquetor by the opponent's body. Tennis and badminton players face the greatest eye injury risk from the ball or shuttlecock.

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Vincent late...

## Southwick Draws 6th Seed In Tourney

By Chris Hout

The Western Mass. baseball committee convened on Wednesday evening and selected the seedings for the 22 high school teams who qualified for the tourney which gets underway Saturday with three Division III games on tap.

Basically, all went as expected in the proceedings. Cathedral topped the Division I field, Hoosac Valley of Cheshire led the way in Division II and War was the top seed in the Division III bracket.

There is one school, however, that was totally surprised at the low position they obtained via tournament committee Ray Mitchell's discretion.

Southwick High, who recently captured their third consecutive D-Division title (tied with Hampshire, Granby and Gateway) have been chosen sixth in the small school bracket.

Ahead of them is Hampshire and Granby, two teams that Southwick had a combined record of 3-1 against this season.

The Rams are scheduled to play St. Mary's on Saturday to open the tournament.

"We have won the league three years in a row and have been in this thing (tourney) for the past six seasons and they (committee members) continue to treat us like dirt."

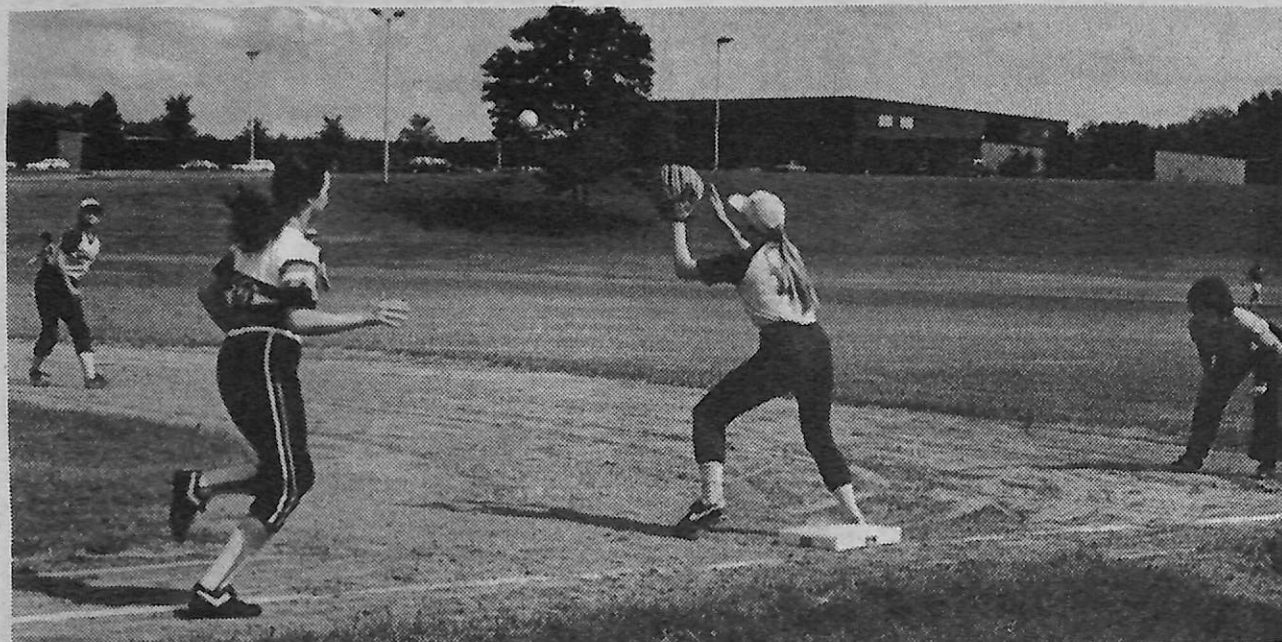
Vincent had figured on a number four seed which would have given him a bye until Tuesday. In fact he was so certain of this he used his starting pitchers, John Coward and Jim Porter in an intra-squad game on Wednesday.

"I don't know who I can use on the mound if we do play," said Vincent, referring to remark that he made when he found his team seeded sixth ("I'm not sure if we'll even compete in this thing"). "Neither of my starters have enough rest to come back and pitch again on Saturday. The senior class graduates on Friday and a lot of them had plans for the weekend. I had originally given them the weekend off."

If the Rams do play (which seems inevitable) they will be facing a team in St. Mary's that they have already defeated twice this season, another fact that has the coach spitting fire.

"Why should I have to use one of my top pitchers against a team that we already beat twice this season?" he asked. "We are the only team in the tournament that has to play a common opponent in the first round."

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**DURING SOUTHWICK RAMS' SOFTBALL ACTION, Kim Hepburn, far right, throws the ball to Allison Hiers, playing first, in time to get the opposing Easthampton runner last Friday. Advertiser/News Photo By John Loftus.**

## Ram Girls End Softball Season On Losing Note

By Chris Hout

Southwick High ended their 1982 softball season on a losing note last Friday against Easthampton.

The visitors scored in five of the seven innings to gain the 12-5 victory.

Easthampton jumped on starter and loser Robin Schools for four runs in the first inning, three in the second, two in the fourth, a single run in the fifth and two more runs in the sixth.

Southwick did all their scoring in the first and second frames of the game.

In the first, Allison Hiers, Karen Schultz, Kim Florek and Cindy Lapan all walked for one run. And Bev Slate knocked in a run as her grounder was booted.

In the second inning Hiers again walked, Pam Kirsche sacrificed, Schultz walked and Florek, who led the team in five offensive categories, drove in her 29th and 30th runs of the year with a double.

Following the loss, Southwick's record dipped to 10-8 and just shy of a tournament berth.

"If we had won the ballgame we may have been considered for the tourney," said Southwick coach Mike Cammerota. "But even if we had won we still were a long shot to get in the thing."

Cammerota still puts the season on the plus side

despite missing the tournament berth.

"We had a lot of young players with little or no varsity experience" he said. "I figured that we would win between nine and ten games this year."

"We made a lot of mistakes this year that experience will take care of. It seemed that we always had the one thing with a lot of offensive lapses that only comes from inexperience."

"People seem to forget that we started the season with a new outfield, a new catcher, first baseman, and third baseman. We still had a very good year despite all the changes."

Southwick will lose only leftfielder Schultz and catcher Florek to graduation this year.

"Next year we should be one of the top teams in the area," said Cammerota. "We are returning virtually everyone. If we can obtain a catcher we'll be in real good shape."

The biggest hurt to get over will be the absence of Kim Florek's bat.

The senior catcher led the team in hitting with a .533 average, in homers with five, RBI's with 30, triples with 8 and in doubles with 3 (tied with Schulz for team lead).

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# Powder Mill Field Day Events



**GOING HIGH OVER THE BAR** is eighth grader Mark Typrowicz at the Powder Mill Field Day held on May 27th and 28th. Mark is also a fine basketball player for the Southwick Rec Center's league. Advertiser/News photo by John Loftus.

## VINCENT - FROM PAGE 17...

Vincent wouldn't stop there.

"I've been involved in this league for 18 years and I've never been involved in a situation like this before. This is totally absurd. Who gives this guy (Mitchell) the right to sit in a room and decide this thing. He probably has not seen a game all year and all of a sudden he's an expert."

Vincent says that Mitchell had told him to write a letter to the committee and that they would review the situation the next time they meet.

"I asked him when that was and he told me after the tournament," said Vincent. I said that does my team no good at all and he then said to have my 'athletic director' look into it. I then told him that I am the athletic director."

He added angrily, "We deserve the fourth seed and I know it and so does the rest of the league. But how can Mitchell know it if he has not been to any game?"

"There is too much politics going on here. The same thing happened to us three years ago and it's happening again. Some friend is doing another friend a favor and in the long run the kids are the ones who suffer."



**RUNNING FOR THE FINISH** line at the Powder Mill School Field day are, from left, Michelle Phelps, Jill Juzba, and Lisa Bruno. Advertiser/News photo by John Loftus.



## Recreation Center

By Cindy Meaney-Massai

### "Hello Summer Vacation Dance"

The Southwick Rec Center will be sponsoring a dance for all Southwick sixth, seventh and eighth graders on Saturday, June 12th, from 7:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. The dance will be held at the Rec Center, which is located on Powder Mill Road. Rock music and strobe lights for the dance will be provided by JAY KUBIK, a well-known disc jockey.

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The Rec Center would like to remind the coaches that the home teams are responsible for picking up the litter on the fields after the games.

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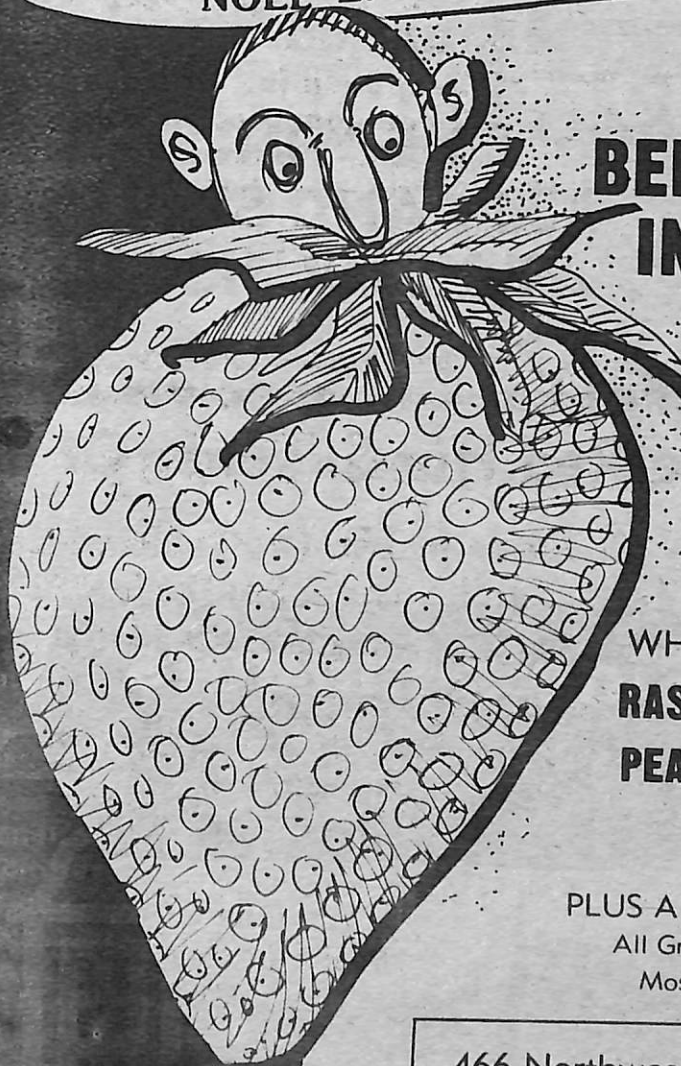
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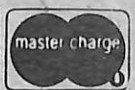
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